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Satoshi KONDO et al. : **Docket No. 2003_1259**
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**SIMULTANEOUS RECORDING AND
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- b. ☐ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,
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- d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
- e. ☒ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:

Please note that U.S. patent number 6,263,411 corresponds to 10-162507
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5. ☐ A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Satoshi KONDO et al.

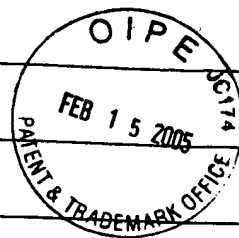
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	AL	9-213055	8/1997	JP			Abstract	
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	AK	9-167441	6/1997	JP			Abstract	
	AL	7-131754	5/1995	JP			Abstract	
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Receipt of the following papers is acknowledged:

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(2) PTO-1449 forms and 15 references



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